

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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ABSTRACT

The disclosure involves a method for reducing the content of NO_x and N₂O in gases. The method includes the conduction of a gas containing N₂O and NO_x over a series of two catalyst beds containing of one or more zeolites charged with iron followed by the addition of a reduction agent for NO_x between the catalyst beds. The first catalyst bed reaction zone is used to degrade the N₂O and the second catalyst bed reaction zone reduces the NO_x and breaks down at least part of the remaining N₂O. The inventive device comprises at least one radially traversed catalyst bed.

Please add the following Brief Description of the Drawings heading after line 1 on page 5 of the specification:

Brief Description of the Drawings

Figure 1 depicts an apparatus with gas inlet (1) and gas outlet (2) and the arrangement of the catalyst beds.

Figure 2 depicts an apparatus with gas inlet (1) and gas outlet (2) arranged laterally in the apparatus and the arrangement of the catalyst beds.

Figure 3 depicts an embodiment of the apparatus with gas inlet (1) and gas outlet (2) and the catalyst beds configured as two hollow cylinders arranged concentrically within one another.

Figure 4 depicts an apparatus with gas inlet (1) and gas inlet (2) and with the first catalyst bed (4) forming an inner hollow cylinder and the second catalyst bed (5) forming an outer hollow cylinder.

Figure 5 depicts an apparatus with gas inlet (1) and gas outlet (2) where the gas flows via the gas inlet (1) axially through the first catalyst bed (4).

Figure 6 depicts an apparatus with gas inlet (1) and gas outlet (2) where the gas flows radially through the first catalyst bed (4) and axially through the second catalyst bed (5).